### A MARYELOUS STORY.

Romantic Career of the Jersey Lily Related for the First Time.

### HER MEETING WITH MR. LANGTRY

The Beauty's Advancement from Home to the Pinnacle of Fashion---Stage Life.

One morning, five and twenty years ago, a young Ulsterman piped all hands Dean's beautiful daughter had learned on deck of his trim little yacht and sailed like a modern Jason in search of the Golden Fleece. His taste for yachting came by inheritance. His father, William Langtry, was a wealthy shipping merchant, a man of eminent character and aristocratic appearance, a member of the Society of Friends, full of charities and good repute, and long-time agent for the Gnion Steamship Line in the city of Belfast, County An-trim, Ireland, says the Philadel-phia Press. The Langtrys, though not of the landed centre, were a leading of of the landed gentry, were a highly-re-spectable family. They had intermar-ried with the neighboring estated peoried with the neighboring estated pele; their coat-of-arms antedated ple; their coat-of-arms antedated and move into a smarter neighborhood and move into a smarter neighborhood in London, near the charmed vicinity placed to the county aristo-

to an enjoyment of the pleasures of life. He had inherited money, married money, made money, and he spent it liberally in supporting the condition of a man of secure social position and the possessor of many strains of blue blood in his veins. He purchased a yacht for his eldest son, settled a fortune on the young man on attaining his majority, young man on attaining his majority.

One of her new acquaintances in this set was Millais. Struck by the color, the poise, the perfect form, and the simplicity of charm in his hostess, he simplicity of charm in his hostess, he had tarmission to paint her portrait.

fast Lough with the enthusiasm of a whose portrait it was. Thus Mrs. Lang

run over to France, and with this object he sailed the Irish Sea, threaded St. George's Channel, and made for Cher-band, who even now suspected nothing Stress of wind drove the yacht out of her course, and the young sailor company her. The only matter that concerned Mr. Langtry at that time was the Channel Islands. He made the har- the impossibility of making his income bor of St. Helier safely and went ashore until the storm should abate. Thus do the currents of a man's life go awry. In tured to remonstrate with his wife.

"My dear," she replied, "it can't be stopping on the Island of Jersey the young yachtsman found a fate that was wholly unparaelleled in the house of have! If we begin to retrench the Langtry.

INVITED TO DINNER.

one evening when Denn Le Breton, the most important man on the island, in-vited him to the deanery, and asked Mr. Langtry was not a

Le Breton so highly that when the young people were married he gave a very handsome jointure.

Belfast was not an interesting town

But an imprudent bit of audacity sud-

English life, and a permanent residence in Jersey was out of the question. Mr. Langtry took a honeymoon tour of the Continent and ended it in London. It was a jolly party, and merriment was Like all country-bred girls, the bride was at its height when instantly a social infatuated with the great city. Its social earthquake occurred. Every one had atmosphere was agreeable also to her as well as his wife, Mr. Langtry rented her guests, playfully slipped a bit of ice a cottage on the Thames, here the inside the collar of H. R. H. Such a young couple lived happily for two matter is not to be immediately remeyears. Mrs Langtry was 20, her has died. The slippery object slid slowly band eight years older. They had a nice but surely down the royal spine, chilling house in an exclusive neighborhood, suf- as it fell. ficient income to keep three maids and a coachman, a smart brougham and a but- underwent a change that petrified the

monial life the neighbors were eager to enlist the new cottagers in their set, Young Mrs. Langtry's first venture into not very lively dissipation. But it was that, when the party ended in a dance for the young people, the bride refused to join in Sir Roger de Coverley, be-cause she considered that the daughter of a dean should not take part in any

such worldly frivolity.

Mr. Langtry only went out to please his wife. He was an entirely domesti-cated young man. After getting married he sold his yacht, bought a new collection of pipes, subscribed for the Lon-don weeklies, and spent most of his and spent most of his time reading and smoking in the library.

Events in this gentleman's life came from unimportant trifles. One of his neighbors, a broker on 'Change, asked Mr. Langtry to dine with him at his club There was a meeting of the local sewing circle that evening at the to escape from the babble of church gos-At dinner he met Sir George Chetevnd. Bart. of Grendon Hall, Warwickshire. Sir George was an agreeable man of fine presence, excellent tact and great knowledge of the world. The young Irish Quaker was first awed by his superior knowledge and then good listener and he approved of Langtry. Before the gentlemen left the club next- morning Sir George had asked his young acquaintance to run down for a bit of shooting at Grendon Hall in the grouse season. Mr. Langtry, in return for this unexpected courtesy, invited the baronet to dine with him on the following Sunday evening.

FIRST OF THE GREAT WORLD Mrs. Langtry was shocked to dese-crate the Sabbath by giving a dinner party. But she had already begun to tire of the whist parties and sewing circle of the neighborhood and was timidly glad to make the acquaintance of Grendon Hall was. She spent more than usual time over her toilet that night, and when she extended a welcome to her guest, Sir George, although not easily astonished at anything, was amazed at her refulgent beauty. The interest was mutual. Mrs. Langtry was speedily charmed by the tact, the the brilliant conversation and deft flattery of the baron. She was a new sensation to him, this tall, splendid, fresh-cheeked country girl, then blossoming into the beauty of a womanhood that afterward dazzled the world.

the baronet was equally agreeable to his seemed to have come. But at this cli-wife. After their guest had gone he ral-lied Mrs. Langtry good humoredly on the evident favor she had shown toward seemed to have come. But at this cli-max a fortuitous accident occurred which changed the entire course of Mrs. Langtry's life.

the baromet.
"Indeed," she said, with impulsive honesty, "I like him immensely. I did not know that there were such delightful

men in the world."

The next time Mr. Langtry met his friend at the club he ingeniously repeated this remark and assured Sir George that they would always be glad to see him in the cottage by the edge of the Thames. Not to be behindhand in courtesy, the baronet insisted that the young couple should pay an early visit.

Suddenly, "can't you do something for Mrs. Langtry?"

"For Mrs. Langtry!" ejaculated Labby. "What can I do for her? She has done for herself most effectually."

"Never mind that," returned the lady. "Everybody makes mistakes, and that poor woman has raid a terrible price for hers. Do something for her."

"But what can I do?" young couple should pay an early visit to him at Grendon Hall. The visit was made, and before it came to an end the

ceased to take interest in the sewing circle, she declared that the neighbors and their six-penny rubbers were too stupid to be endured. She began to give more

attention to dress, went to a fashionable modiste, and startled her husband by a succession of milliner's bills. Mr. succession of milliner's bills, Mr. Langtry was proud of his wife's beauty, and, being well off, encouraged her ex-penditures in new gowns and Paris bonnets. THE PASHIONAULE " JERSEY LILY."

they were related to the county areas cracy, on the other they were connected by consanguinity with the great linen by consanguinity with the great linen he thought no ill of these new whime barons whose manufactories have made the North of Ireland prosperous.

Mr. William Langtry, at that time head of the family, although a Quaker

Mr. George Chetwynds were plential. of orthodox principles, was not averse In due time the cottage was sold, the

The young Quaker gentleman, thus matriculated from college and started for asked permission to paint her portrait. matriculated from college and started for a holiday, set sail from Belfast in high good humor. He was 26 years of age; he had an independent estate; he had an independent estate; he had an independent estate; he carried letters to many members of the English peerage; he was intelligent, good-looking, and lazy. There never was a toyage of life begun with greater promise of prosperity. There have been few that ended in greater disaster. Young Mr. Langtry sailed down Belfast Lough with the enthusiasm of a whose portrait it was. Thus Mrs. Langtry as settled. Lily Langtry was settled. Lily Langtry was the first woman who went from the first woman who went from the drawing-room to the stage, and she has drawing-room yachtsman who treads the deck of a trimbuilt sloop.

Before going to Cowes he intended to Mariborough House, where her hus-band, who even now suspected nothing of his own dishonor, was invited to ac

Prince will cut us and everybody will follow suit. Never mind your income. Young Langtry had been there only Take your principal and everything will come out all right before that is gone This did not seem very good logic, but him to remain there instead of in the and after puzzling over the problem of Mr. Langtry accepted the invita- ultimate all-rightedness, he gave it up, inn. Mr. Langtry accepted the invitation and was introduced to the Dean's
two beautiful daughters.

He staved day after day at the deanery
until his troth was plighted to one of the
young ladies. The Dean's consent was
Langtry went into town extravaof unexampled prosperity. until his troth was plighted to one of the young ladies. The Dean's consent was cashy obtained. He knew the Langtry went into town extravagances with a vigor that would have amily and after a pleasant interviewer ranged between the heads of both houses the matter was settled. The Dean was clearly of the country Club on Wednesses the Country Club on Wed would have preferred to see his son mar- as her beauty. The Prince of Wales ried to a Quakeress, approved of Miss continued in his attachment for her, and

Belfast was not an interesting town for a man who had had some taste of denly tumbled over the house of cards. nd and, in order to please himself | Dean's daughter, not less lively than

The Prince said nothing, but his face company. A moment later he arose and When their honeymoon was ended left the house never to enter it or recogand the Langtrys settled down to matri- nize its hostess again. H. R. H. is the most affable, democratic, and goodnatured prince that ever waited throne of England. But Mrs. Langtry society was a whist party given next is the only person that has been so fooldoor, in which the rubbers were sixpence and her partner a curate. It was day during her usual drive in Rotten Row the whilom favorite of royalty was so much more gay than anything that cut dead by each member of the Marlshe had been accustomed to in Jersey borough-House set, and on a subsequent meeting H. R. H. looked her through as if she interposed no more density than air against the distant landscape.

The Langtrys then found themselves in the unfortunate predicament that beset Beau Brummel after his quarrel with the heir-apparent. Their little estate had been squandered. When the news of royal disfavor was known tradesmen became importunate, and all that was left of the Langtry money went in payment of florists, caterers, wine merchants, noticed quite a number in the market essmakers, milliners, and musicians. Unable to pay everybody who had a claim against them, the Langtrys were compelled to give up their feshionable house and now found themselves home-

less, ostracised, and in poverty.

A week previously Lilly Langtry had basked in the sunshine of princely favor. Now even the servants deserted her. Mr. and Mrs. Langtry had an exceed ingly bad quarter of an hour. To fall from the pinnacle of being the most admired beauty in England to a position which was made doubly odious by the open contempt of hirelings was a disaster almost as keenly felt by the husband fascinated by it. Sir George liked a as by his wife. Mr. Langtry, however, showed no recrimatory spirit. He still loved his wife, still believed that her character was as fair as her face. Without uttering any reproaches for the reckthat had wasted his fortune, he secured cheap apartments in the cheap neighborhood of Mountford Square and looked out for a situation which would bring him sufficient salary to pay the grocer and landlord.

RELIEF ON THE STAGE. When things come to the worst they generally mend. Mr. Langtry, having no experience in business and under the cloud of public scandal, could not obtain a situation. In dire stress for of a man of fashion, such as the owner enough money to keep body and soul together, he appealed again to his father; but the proud, conservative Quaker, William Langtry, refused to aid the young husband so long as he remained with a wife who had brought such disgrace to the family name. The divorce court was the only way in which young Langery could be reinstated in his father's favor. This alternative was refused, and matters became so gloomy Mountford-Square apartmen new sensation to him, this tall, splendid, fresh-cheeked country girl, then blossoming into the beauty of a womanhood that afterward dazzled the world.

For the first time since he anchored his yacht in the harbor of St. Helier Mr. Langtry found himself neglected. But he did not mind that. He admired Sir George and he was rejoiced to find that

which changed the entire course of Mrs.

Langtry's life.
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Labouchere were at breakfast one morning.

"My dear," said the journalist's wife suddenly mean't you do semething for suddenly, "can't you do something for

"But what can I do?" "Give her some writing."
"Fudge!" growled the editor;
"that's nonsense. But I'll put her on to simulate an affection for her husband which she no longer felt.

Then a gradual but amazing change piques the public curiosity. Of course, property to the stage of the public curiosity. Of course, property to the public curiosity.

> morning. The editor of Truth was as good as his word. He dilated to Mr. and Mrs. Bancroft the financial advantages of putting the late favorite of royalty on the At first dubious, the manager finally became enthusiastic of the scheme, and before the interview was ended Mr. Bancroft had written a contract offering Mrs. Langtry \$80 a week provided she should prove at a trial matinee that she had sufficient dramatic ability to justify putting her forward. The offer was eagerly, desperately accepted, and "She Stoops to Conquer" was the play selected for the trial performance.

HER DRAMATIC CAREER BEGUN. Mrs. Langtry made her first appeartre. The stalls held almost all the fashionable people of London. She was very crude in art, but her earnestness, natural refinement of manner, and wonderful beauty engaged the sympathy of the audience. She received cordial

MR. LANGTRY CAST ASIDE. Soon after this Mrs. Langtry separated from her husband. She had no further use for an encumbrance in the dressingthat now began to be lavished on her anew. The Prince of Waies did not return, bu he publicly forgave the liberty she had taken with his back, and this graciousness allowed the fashionable men of London to renew their allegiance to the famous beauty. Mr. Bancroft made a ment and was exceedingly grieved when Mrs. Langtry decided to go starring. The critics and the dramatic profes-

sion plainly disapproved of her new ambition, but the public was willing to buy tickets in order to see the woman whose charms and exploits had long been a theme in the newspapers. Mrs Langtry became wealthy. Her prosperity was became wealthy. Her prosperity was increased by a tour of America. The Park Theatre was destroyed by fire a and Mrs. Langtry began a long season of unexampled prosperity.

ing bigamy. Still the lawful wife of the Irish Quaker, she has conducted herself in a manner that is not quite consistent with the general principles of domestic this city, contain her advertisement offering £50 reward for the name of the author of the story that she was forcibly ejected from the Savoy Hotel for disorlerly conduct during a recent midnight

supper.
The Dean's daughter has gone the pace that kills. Cables of a subsequent date to that of her advertisement inform us that after lying at the point of death she is convalescent. Mrs. Langtry is said to and Judge and Mrs. Albert Ritchie. worth \$500,000, still beautiful, and only 40 years of age, too young to quit a world which she has enjoyed so tho-

The Fate of the Birds.

I read an article in your columns of last Sunday from the president of the Virginia Field Sports Association, Polk Miller, in which he strongly urged the necessity of feeding the birds throughout the country during this extreme weather. approve such action most heartily, but, while placing so much stress upon the birds being fed, I think it would be decidedly of greater benefit to the birds, and certainly a great deal more credit to the members of the Virginia Field-Sports Association, if they would protect them or see that they are protected as the law requires, from the hands of lawless huntsmen or trappers, who bring them here and offer them for sale in our phia. markets after the 15th of January, Fr after which time the law (if I am co rectly informed) positively forbids their being killed or offered for sale. this morning, and if the almanaes tell the truth, to-day is the 18th of January. While I advocate the feeding of birds

protection-a point of duty sadly nelected by some.

I call upon the worthy president of I call upon the worthy president of the Virginia Field-Sports Association to to Miss Holt, of New York, and in the what is called the "private-protection"

in this respect is enforced. A MEMBER OF THE WEST-END GUN

Richmond, Va., January 18, 1893. He Was Not a Drummer. RICHMOND, VA., January 18, 1893.

the Editor of the Dispatch : I read in last Sunday's DISPATCH the account by Mr. W. B. Conway of the ooting of four Federal cavalrymen in Rockingham in 1864. He is in error when he says that the fourth and last man (and he was the only one who had anything to say) claimed to be a drummer, as his uniform and the chevrons of a sergeant on his arms would have con-

tradicted that. I was standing within a few feet of him and heard him say that he had nothing to do with the burning, and heard his appeal for his life to the com-manding officer. When he found he had to die he gave his name and address (Augustus Smith, of High Gate, Vt.,) and said he was of Ethan Allen descent, He also requested that his family be in-formed of his fate, which was done many years ago. He was the sergeant of his npany in a New Hampshire regiment of cavalry, and not a drummer by any means, and I wish to relieve the battalion of the seeming imputation of shooting a drummer.
P. J. White,
Formerly of the Fifth Va. Cavalry.

The Most Pleasant Way of preventing the grip, coids, headaches, and fevers is to use the liquid laxative remedy, Syrup of Figs, whenever the system needs a gentle, yet effective cleaning. To be benefited one must get the true remedy manufactured by the Caiffornia Fig Syrup Company only. For sale by all druggists in 60 cents and \$1 bottles.

# GREEN CARNATION.

OSCAR WILDE'S ODD BOU-TONNIERE AT BALTIMORE Costume of Æsthetic Swell on Charles Street---Dinners,

Germans, and Teas.

[Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.] BALTIMORE, January 21.—That floral monstrosity, the green carnation, has at last reached Baltimore, and they were worn by two or three of our ultra-swells at the german the other night for the first time. They are not pretty; in point of fact, they are hideous. But Dame Fashion has set her seal of apcame over the young wife. She was not she can't act. But people will pay to Dame Fashion has set her seal of apathome when the curate called, she see her. I'll stop in at Bancroft's this proval on them, and voita! They were, as is generally known, introduced by that famous æsthete. Oscar Wilde, on the premier night of his very successful play, "Lady Windemere's Fan." Mr. Wilde realized that if his play should be a failure he must rely on some other means for keeping himself in the public eye. He pondered, and finally decided on this anamals as green wink as a hour on this anomaly-a green pink as a boutonneire. Both the play and the flower were successes keyond his flower were successes beyond his wildest anticipations. When the audience that night called for the author, after the first act, he appeared, and London looked—London looked again, then wondered. What did he wear in his button-hole? A green carnation? The flower became the reconstruction. carnation? The flower became the rage ance as "Miss Hardcastle" in the Hay-market at a matinee. With audacious confidence in her own charms she played the part without facia make-up of any the part without facia make-up of any kind and withstood that most severe test of beauty, the glare of the footlights, marvellously well. London was in excitement over the matter. On the afternoon of the performance the Prince of Wales and his Marlborough House coterie filled the boxes of the Haymarket Theafter. The stalls held almost all the how one of our swells appeared on

> of the audience. She received cordial the german. Miss Mathilde Keyser also applause and the question of her future entertained the following guests at dinner the same evening: Misses Char-lotte Williams, Laura Jenkins, Margaret

Monday afternoon Mrs. John Ridge ley, of Hampton, gave a tea for her daughter. Miss Leonice Ridgeley. She was assisted in receiving by Mrs. John Stewart, Mrs. William Checkley Shaw, Miss Nellie Pobbin, Miss Atkinson, and Miss Poultney. A BUSY DAY.

Tuesday was an exceptionally busy day. Miss Ollie Wilkinson gave a luncheon in the morning to Mrs. Charles McAllister, great deal of money out of her engage. of Philadelphia, Covers were laid for fifty. among whom were Mesdames Benjamin Horwitz, Ross Winans, Charles Reeves Ross Whistler, Tom Whistler, Reuling, and Misses Marie Sterling, Lucas, and Swann. Mrs. William Haddon Marriott gave a tea in the afternoon Miss Nellie Wilson poured tea.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Hurst gave a very large dance that evening. Miss Nancy Hurst, Mrs. Edwin Harvie Smith, the Misses Gilmor, Miss Findlay, and Miss Baldwin received. Graeme Turn-bull, Wilhe Pleasants, Frank Baldwin, other theatre was immediately engaged, and Mr. and Mrs. Willie Williams were

Whistler, Miss Ollie Wilkinson, Miss Laura Jenkins, Walter Poultney, and Gerard Hopkins,
HANDSOME DINNER.

Ex-Mayor James Hodges gave life. On this point nothing need be said handsomest dinner this season on Wedfurther than that the last issues of the needay. Out of his stock of celebrated ondon Times, which have arrived in china Mr. Hodges used for one course that set of plates upon each one of which is painted the portrait of one of the dead and gone beauties of the French courts. Those whom he invited to dine and inspect these beauties were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Garrett, Mr. and Mrs. William Keyser, Mr. and Mrs. William Gilmor, Mr. and Mrs. Gustay Lurman, Mr. and Mrs. William Reed, Miss Loulou Riach gave a tea followed

by a dance Wednesday evening. The decorations were curtains and smilax and garlands of La France roses. huge mound of La France roses deco shades were used for the lights.
On Thursday Miss Holt, of Charles

street, gave a tea in honor of her cousin, Miss Holt, of New York. Miss Amy James poured tea.
Mrs. Nicholas Hill also gave a tea that afternoon, assisted by Miss Sea-grave, the daughter of the British Con-

sul, Miss Emma Gildersleeve, and Miss Josephine Poe.
EVENING PARTIES. Thursday evening Mrs. James Mc-

Lane gave a small cotillon for her daughter. Miss Eugenia McLane. The Misses Ensor gave a theatre party to see Francis Wilson in honor of and Main would ring "three."

Mr. and Mrs. McAllister, of Philadel-Friday afternoon Mrs. William F. Eurns gave a tea in honor of Miss Cochran, of Delaware. This tea was unusually charming, as Mrs. Burns's house on Mt. Vernon place is one of the handsomest in the town. Mrs. Francis Taze- door. well Redwood gave an "At Home" the same afternoon. The Fortnightly Assem-I much more strongly advocate their bly, or "Wall-Flower's Delight," met on Friday evening, but by that time and it is probable that after awhile everybody was pretty well tired out.

tell us whose duty it is to see that the evening Mrs. Dobbin's dancing class met at the Lyceum Parlors. ating some talk is that of Mr. Robertson tablishment or dwelling the key Taylor to Miss Mac Templeman. Mr. to the house is left at the sta-

Taylor is one of the Norfolk Taylors, and his son, Dr. Robert Tunstall Taylor, | pants have occasion to call for the as married a year or so ago Miss Florence sistance of the police at any time they Templeman, who is Miss Mae's sister, can do so by simply pulling the lever Mrs. Dr. Taylor will therefore be daugh-Mrs. Dr. Taylor will therefore be daughter-in-law to her own sister, and the lat- also indicate the nature of ter will be grandmother as well as aunt want by using any of the differto the former's children. A rather novel ent signals—that is, they may in position. HOME AGAIN, Miss Emma Gildersleeve is at home

after a couple of weeks' stay in Rich- sirable, remain quietly in their bedmond. Miss Lillie Day, who spent the holi-

days in Richmond, is once more in Mrs. from its place, and, having reached the Cary's charge. Although she is a St. dwelling, steps quietly in at the from many hearts with her when she left Mrs.

There is one girl in town who says she is going to give up teaching Sunday school, and the reason is this: A few Sundays ago she was explaining to her class of youngsters that the Almighty is always near us. One little fellow looked puzzled for a minute and then asked, "Is God in this room?" "Yes," replied Miss —, "in this room. "Is He under my chair?" then queried the kid. "Yes, there, too." "Is He in my pocket?" "Yes, He is in your pocket." Then the child fairly shouted. "No, He aint, 'cause I aint got no pocket."

Preserve the Game. To the Editor of the Dispatch: Will you permit me, through your columns, to enter a plea for the preserva-tion of our game? The recent snows

have been the opportunity of the pot-hunters. That deer, turkeys, rabbits, pheasants, and partridges have been tracked to their coverts and slaughtered by wholesale is apparent from the aban-dance of all these in our markets, and if the snow and cold weather continue much longer a part of the remnant which escapes the cupidity of the pot-hunter and the army-musket of the

hungry and voracious "contraband" must inevitably perish from cold and hunger. The cold winters and heavy snowfalls of 1855-56 and 1856-57 nearly exter-minated the small game of lower Virginia, and it was several years before again became abundant. The destruction then would have been much more complete had not sportsmen in many parts of the State interested themselve in its preservation by trapping coveys and keeping them until open weather, and by feeding othe near their residences. feeding others which ranged

The writer well remembers having seen during the winter of 1857 a covey of partridges (quait) feeding daily in the yard with the poultry at the home of a gentleman who was an ardent sportsman and a crack-shot in one of the Tidewa-

If the members of the Virgina Field-Sports Association will take a personal in terest in the matter they can do much in this direction to prevent the extermina tion of our game, as well as by seeing that the game laws are rigidly enforced in their respective localities. Unless something is done, and that speedily, we may reasonably fear that the occupation of the sportsmen will be gone in this portion of Virginia for some years at least.

#### THE POLICE TELEGRAPH. Test to Be Made Wednesday--

Wires and Stations Up. The police department of Richmond turban itself. e of will on next Wednesday afternoon mark kid an era in its history. Upon that occasion the newly-inaugurated police-patro

how one of our swells appeared on Charles street the other afternoon.

SOCIAL PRESENTATION OF THE PRESENTA On Monday Mr. and Mrs. James
Swann Frick gave a dinner party before the german. Miss Mathilde Keyser also then another. This feature of the department by been instituted here almost entirely through the efforts and interest of Messrs, C. G. Besher and L. C. Figg, of

the Board of Police Commissioners, a special committee appointed from that body, with Mayor Ellyson as chairman croflicio, to attend to the details of the work. Their acts, of course, were ap-proved by the board, all of whose members have taken deep interest in the undertaking. WHERE THE STATIONS ARE LOCATED.

Superintendent Thompson, of the Fire-Alarm Department, has directed the stringing of the wires and the erec-tion of stations, and has taken a great deal of pride in this work. The system to be employed here is the Gamewell which is now in use in many of th argest cities in the country. Richmond has ten stations, which are located as follows: First and Main, First and Baker, Pine and China, Reservoir and Cary, Plum and Main, Ninth and Cary, Seventeenth above Washington, Twenty-eighta and Main, Nicholson and Fourth, and Twenty-fifth and O streets.

The headquarters (into which all sig-

nals will be sent) are in the office at the Second Police-Station. The switch-table, repeater, and other apparatus are Second Police-Station. The switch-table repeater, and other appears are all in position and have been tested. All the wires pass through the fire alarm office to the station-house, and thence to the central pairol station proper, which is in rear of fleeve's drugstore, on Marshall street between Sixth and Seventh.

Second Police-Station. The switch-table repeater, and other superations appears at the beginning of the season, was not allowed until lib-t secured by royal proclamations of the winter or from some sudden and unaccountable freak of the fir despited on the season, was not allowed until lib-t season, was not allowed until lib shall street between Sixth and Seventh.

THE WAGON-HOUSE. its mission. In this building, as in the fire-alarm office, only the number of the station is recorded. In the police edge of the wrap, but must be of even station, or headquarters, the character of the signal is given and the tele-phone used if desired. The Gamewoll box and very similar, being distinguished box and very similar, being distinguished boxes being red and the police bine.

Speaking of this, there is a new sear cutaway that is quite the most fetching thing of the year. It has one button, just on the bust, to which point lapels exactly like those on a man's cost turn Each station contains a telephone, which connects with the headquarters just as other 'phones do. On the dial inside the iron easing are seven points, as follows Fast wagon, slow wagon (without the button. lance, telephone—1, 2, 3.

HOW THEY ARE OPERATED. By moving a pendulum and pulling a lever either of these are recorded at the Central station. In case of a streetfight the "fast wagon" would be called, but if a bank-robbery were going on the "slow" and noiseless wagon would be an accident or a row the "ambulance would be summoned. To move the hand to the word "telephone" and pull the little steel knob down would call a man to the phone at the other end,

and so on. The figures on these dials also indithe figures of these data also have cate certain things. In order to illus-trate, if an officer at Fighth and Broad streets desired to report on his beat at 12 M. he would simply pull in "one." but if a riot were going on on Church Hill and ten or twenty men were needed the policeman on duty at Twenty-eighth

Keys to the boxes are given to the pa-Locks are unitrolmen of the district. form throughout the city, and one key will open any station. Keys are also given to responsible citizens with which they can operate the signal boxes inside the discovery celebration—as "Isabella

New stations will be added from time to time until the city is fully equipped effort will be made to introduce in the box, which is not near so large the Lyceum Parlors.

The latest engagement which is creof these signal-cases is placed in an esdicate burglars, drunken servant, the occupants of a house can, if de rooms, while the policeman answering the call takes the key of their house dwelling, steps quietly in at the front Paul girl she is well known here through | door to the utter surprise of the thieves her sister, Miss Alice, who carried or burglars, who find themselves absolutely trapped. His Character.

(Detroit Free Press.

The young man had been telling the old lady quite a lot about himself. "You remind me," she said, "of a story I once read." "What was it, may I ask?"

"Oh, I don't remember the story at all," she exclaimed, artlessly, but I remember it didn't have any moral to it." To His Rescue.

(Judge.)
Alack, for him: the night he called,
By fortune's cruel joke.
While he was telling her good-night
His new suspenders broke. But, with the truest courtesy, She did not let him roam

# THEATRE HEADGEAR.

A REVOLUTION WHICH WILL BE GRATEFUL.

The Structure Fairly Nestles in the Coiffure---Will Not Obstruct the View.

Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch. NEW YORK, January 21.—The clever gentlemen who consume the midnight duction, and Mr. J. oil in devising "comics" and cartoons sounded by scenic a for the humorous papers have had for will greatly enteness years past what in the colloquilism of masterly playing. the day may be termed "an easy mark" in the hats worn by women at the theatre. Their ribald jests must, however, be put a period to with the present season. The up-to-date girl, among many which has been proendearing qualities, has at last developed | which made a favora one trait not heretofore so strongly is one of the few plays marked in lovely woman-i, c., the will-late civil war which ingness to sacrifice toilet vanity to a abolition taint, and ense of what is due to her neighbors.

Let the witty gentlemen above re- ence is that the willo ferred to enter the parlors of any fash- man, wears the Co ionable milliner this winter and ask to be shown theatre headgear and he will of the attention of return to his duties satisfied that his public. Prominent at latest quip or his last funny illustration effects is a revolving s was just a trifle pointless. This is what exterior and interior he would be shown: A tiny velvet tur-ban, laid in folds which exhibit a charming, negligent grace in their dis-position over a flat frame, of whose ex-lighter. The dates for "A Fair i day and Tuesday. There are two "Fair nies touring the country istence the inexperienced beholder company, headed by Fd's would be dubious, for the structure son and Fannie Gillett, and this one cover perched upon it. Upon the front there is an aigretic of jetted feathers contrast-ed against a roseite of velvet, contrast-Mawson-Cillette organizat ing in color with the velvet used on the

WHITE THE PAVORITE.

As to the colorings. White-ivory white-is a great favorite. When this is used the surface of the velvet is span gled with little points of cut steel, gold bangles, or else drops of jet, which flash prettily in the giare of the gaslight. The velvet bow in front is of black or of some shade used in the color scheme of the toilet. Eminence purple and bronze green were brought together in one recent theatre bonnet, and a very attraction:

"The beginnings of cent theatre bonnet, and a very attractive union they made. Another form of Episcopal Church resc theatre headgesr is the 1830 capote, also a diminutive trifle, adapted to the heads of the more youthful matrons and men of the Church of worn with long tie-strings of velvet. panied the early ea Then there is a low togue, covered in scross the sea, one of velvet, often with a coronet of jet orna- Indian chief in 1.87 ments, the trimming being to the front and consisting of a large Aisatian bow, held in place by an ornament of jet, gold, or rhinestone. Sometimes fur is supplied in place of the jet, and the front trimming is then of sable or mardirected ten or mink heads.

SHE SHOULD BE TOLD, None of these shapes are sufficiently high from the head to obstruct the view of even the shortest man in a seat behind, and the girl who wears "cart-wheel" felts, Gainsboroughs, Contihind, and the girl who wears "cart-wheel" felts, Gainsboroughs, Conti-nentals, or Marquis hats to the theatre nentals, or Marquis hats to the theatre should be frankly told, here and new, that she is not alone making a genuine nuisance of herself to her neighbors, but that she is committing a direct violation of the prevailing modes of Paris, London, and this city.

New York city, become the setablished production of the prevailing modes of Paris, and Georgia. In Vincolon, and this city. London, and this city. DISTINCTLY THE VOGUE,

Fur boas, which did not extensively boa had been doubled around the neek of the wearer, yet reached below her Revolutionary war the society knees, was of mink, marked at intervals thining about eighty musionar length with the latter.

MOST PETCHING THING.

Speaking of furs, there is a new scal back. The garment reaches about as far as the round-coat—that is, to the "three-quarter" length—but is open to show the dress both below and above

CHILDREN'S DEESSES. Fancy dress parties for children are To the Editor of the Disper

among the entertainments of the hour, and fashion-plates are crowded representations of costumes sistance of distraught man...s, wh want their little ones to be cleverly dressed, but haven't too much inventiveness for the contriving of novel disguises. They might, however, easily possers as fruitful imaginations as the States." Allow me to designers seem to enjoy, for one notices hardly any new characters or new representations of the old.
"Fairy Princes," "Cinderellas,"

"Columbines," "Springs," "Nights,"
"Maids of Ferth," etc., etc., are fatally apt to appear at one of these gatherings in ceaseless iteration. Since little girls have learned skirt-dancing, we have "Danseuses" added to the list, who are prepared on invitation to justify their impersonations. Lattle boys this season among the newer roles are habited as "Highwaymen," "Cavaliers," "Incroyables," and as the different playing-cards, The latter idea is the outcome of the "Living Whist" tournaments. Girls appear as "Priscillas," "Butter-flies," "Rosalinds," and—an echo of in calling for help without opening any of Castile." After all, be the costumes door. rade is among the prettiest and most satisfying of evening parties. OTHER FASHION NOTES,

for wear as formal full-dress. The suits are in black velvet, supplemented with black silk stockings.

Writer, have fully equipped the for her labors. From the charter black silk stockings. black silk stockings.

Evening slippers with tips and heels volume as adapted to meet all

of gold or silver elaborately wrought are among the freaks of the day.

Skirt decorations in the form of involved in the history of our control of the story o flounces, etc., move rapidly upward, and

foot to waist before the end of the season. The most recent feather fan is so formed that each stick supports an immense medallion formed from the plumes or tips. These fold together to produce a single medallion, but when the expanded the appearance is that of a the edge a row of large scallops. The draped corsage is being experi-

mented with by skilful hands, and the designers produce startling effects. one recent gown the loose front of the corsage fell carelessly down to be absorbed into the front of the skirt. The dress was for evening wear and made en princesse.

JOE JEFFERSON'S COMING. The Great Old Man as "Rip"---"A Fair Rebel."

The coming of Joseph Jefferson, who s revered and admired as the greatest living exponent of humorous parts on the American stage, will be one of the events of the dramatic season, and the Academy will most probably present a very brilliant scene next Saturday night.

In deference to the popular demand Mr. Jefferson is presenting "Rip Van Winkle" exclusively this season. It may be his last season—who can tell?—and

remembering this there been regarded as an long before he essayed dreamer of the Catal that character that he m tion, and with that charact indissolubly associated. Winkle," like Kean's "fe rest's "Othelio," is regar sons his appearance he night will be a notabl It is worthy of not pany is an excellent

The attraction at the week will be "A Fair thing that might of The play is well writ

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Use in Public Schools Wassington and Les Univ. Lexington, Va., January 17. Permit me to use you making a statement that a terest in connection with contemplated by some a camps of Virginia. Histor tees from those camps are gentlemen that a Virg partly completed are send to press just such a desire. Mrs. Susan Fen desire. Mrs. Susan Long now writing a history of States for use in our pub are soon to receive fro Mrs. Lee's biography of h artillery chief of the Northern Virginia, the Nelson Pendleton, D. D. that all Virginians will be that she has undertaken giving us this additional se ral history. I have had the reading in manuscript tion of the proposed school-b the facts involved and followed the most reliable Impartial judge est is show ing evidence and in status treatment of each top for a full and intell standing thereof. Moreo season advanced, but have completely style of writing is single and at active. Her set and wile reading have given poise of judgment, while a perferm 8 or 9 to 12 is now outher or the contraction.

> Very sincerely, HENRY ALEXANDER W If Stamps Are Enclosed.

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